

ANOTHER BLACK EYE.

The Edison Electric Light Ordinance Reported Unfavorably.

THE CITY MAY TRY INCANDESCENT.

The Contractor for the Construction of the City's Power House Must Hurry Up—Changes in Location of Lights Ordered Made.

The electric light commission met yesterday and gave a hearing to the representatives of the Edison electric light company on the question of reporting to Council in favor of adopting or rejecting the ordinance presented to Council by the company. Messrs. John A. Howard, H. M. Russell, Col. Thomas O'Brien, Alexander Mitchell and Major Ran Stalnaker were present on behalf of the company.

Mr. Howard stated that the Edison company had incorporated several amendments in the ordinance to meet several objections offered to the ordinance. One of these amendments was that the city shall have the right to buy out the company at the end of twenty years. Also that the company agrees to bind itself not to hinder the city, before the courts or legislature, in obtaining legislation to go into the heat, light and power furnishing business, and to lend its assistance in obtaining such legislation, if requested so to do. Dr. Campbell asked if any gentleman representing the company wished to be heard. Mr. H. M. Russell replied that the matter had been fully discussed at a former meeting of the commission and the company's representatives. Dr. Campbell suggested that several members of the commission were now present who had not heard the former discussion, asked Mr. Mitchell to explain the workings of the company's system.

Mr. Dunlevy, of the board of gas trustees, asked in what manner the revenues of the city gas works would be increased by the introduction of electric light on a large scale. Mr. Howard replied that no claim had been made by the representatives of the company that electric light would increase the revenue, but that they did claim that the revenues would not be reduced, this being the experience of other cities. Mr. Howard read a letter and a telegram from Mr. W. C. Adams, superintendent of the Richmond, Va., city gas works. A letter from General Charles J. Anderson, the gist of it being that the gas consumption doubled itself in 6 years, the population of the city doubling itself in 17 years, and that electric light, in New York City, at least, was

NO COMPETITION OF GAS, to the injury of the latter.

Mr. Dunlevy asked if this might not have been the case in cities where the price of gas was much higher than in Wheeling, and was put at a lower price when electric light was introduced. Mr. Howard answered, that in that case he did not think electric light would be so strong a competitor to gas in Wheeling, where it was cheap, as in cities where it was expensive. Mr. Howard continued, that electric light was, to some extent, an experiment. That it would cost the city \$500,000 to go into the incandescent lighting business; that his company was willing to put up the money to conduct the experiment, and that, if the business paid, the city could take the plant off the company's hands at the end of twenty years, and that twenty years was not a long time, as it would probably be ten years before the city would be able to go into the business.

At the conclusion of Mr. Howard's argument, the unfinished business of the commission was taken up and disposed of, the commission afterwards going into executive session, and the representatives of the Edison Company retiring. The discussion of the merits of the ordinance did not occupy much time, the commission having had ample time to investigate the matter. Dr. Campbell was in favor of recommending to Council favorable action on the ordinance. He considered the arguments brought forth by Mr. Howard very sound, as the city was certainly not, according to his idea, able to undertake the incandescent electric lighting business, either at present or in the near future.

After a short talk a resolution was offered recommending to Council the rejection of the ordinance presented by the Edison Electric Light company, as the commission was of the opinion that the granting of the ordinance would be detrimental to the best interests of the city. The resolution was passed, Dr. Campbell voting no.

A resolution was passed asking Council to instruct the board of gas trustees and City Collector Riley to ascertain, with a view to purchasing, the probable cost of the equipment and appliances used in manufacturing incandescent light by the Wheeling Electrical company.

THE UNFINISHED BUSINESS DISPOSED OF. The unfinished business, which the commission took up before finally deciding on the action to be taken on the electric light ordinance, consisted entirely of matter pertaining to the construction of the electric light plant.

Mr. Seely informed the commission that he had been notified that the boilers for the electric light plant would be ready to be inspected by next Wednesday. Messrs. Farrell and Dunlevy were elected a committee to accompany Mr. Seely on the inspecting expedition. Mr. Dunlevy to pay the expenses and be reimbursed by the commission.

Mr. Seely also suggested that the electric light poles be painted. Dark green being considered the most durable, that color was selected, and Mr. Farrell, who is a practical painter, and Mr. John A. Seely were appointed a committee to see that the proper materials were used.

The Vandoren Construction company claims to have shipped all the roofing material for the electric power house. Only one car has arrived, and the commission decided to pay the freight bills and charge them to the Vandoren company.

There being a dispute between the Fort Wayne company and the sub-contractor for the shafting, as to who should pay for the capstones for the shafting, Mr. Seely was authorized, to avoid delay, to get bids for the capstones, have the work done and the cost charged to the Fort Wayne company, it being the original contractor.

THE POWER HOUSE BUILDING DELAYED. The question of the cost of changing several electric lights from the places where they were first located, as already printed in the INTELLIGENCER, was taken up. Mr. Seely estimated the cost at \$236.40, taking the actual cost of materials and labor and allowing no profit to the contractors. Mr. Seely did not think they were entitled to any profit,

as it was only a matter of a few dollars and they had their men handy for the work; besides the city itself could do the work at cost. Every change to be made was gone over separately, and Mr. Seely's price was agreed to by Mr. Bleo, the representative of the Fort Wayne company. A motion to order the changes made, provided Mr. Bleo would signify, in writing, his acceptance of the prices, was carried. The light from in front of the Grand Opera was moved to Chapline street in front of the U. P. church.

Chairman Farrell was instructed to interview Architect Franzheim and Contractor Brooks and tell them to hurry forward the construction of the power house. A payment of \$1,000 on account to Electrical Engineer John A. Seely was recommended.

There being some question as to whether Mr. A. A. Franzheim was legally entitled to membership on the commission, he having been appointed as and while secretary of the gas board, a recommendation was ordered made to Council that Mr. Franzheim be confirmed as a member of the electric light commission, to act without compensation.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

A GRAND ball was given last night by the Jolly Four at Hurley's hall in Upper Benwood.

The Grand Monarch Fishing Club will give a masquerade ball at Teutonia Hall on Wednesday evening.

The regular bi-weekly meeting of the City Council this evening bids fair to be attended with unusual interest.

Josiah Rice and Jennie Heslop were married yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, by Rev. Dr. Cunningham, at Squire Arkle's office.

BESSIE ALLEN was arrested yesterday by Chief Delbrugge for disorderly conduct. Kate Thompson was pulled in by Officer Seely for being drunk.

CONSTABLE LAURENCE yesterday afternoon arrested an unknown young man for being very drunk in a public place, and Squire Arkle fined him \$1 and costs.

Larry Melen, assistant packing boss at the Belmont mill, who has been laid up seriously ill, is again able to be out, much to the gratification of his numerous friends.

A MEETING of the Wheeling cyclists will be held at the club room this evening. Members need not be afraid of catching cold, as a fine new stove has been set up.

YESTERDAY Captain Bill Prince towed the Mark Twain club's boat up to the city from the club's camping ground at Crabbe's landing, where it has been moored all summer.

In the police court yesterday morning a disorderly was fined \$2 and costs, and in default of the cash went to the hill. A Sunday drunk paid \$5 and costs, and that is all there was of it.

"DOWN ON THE FARM" will be a great drawing card at the Opera House Thanksgiving matinee and evening. Everybody should go "Down on the Farm" for their desert after eating a hearty Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. DOWDICK, the steel lath inventor, leaves this afternoon for the east. He will be back next Monday, and as soon after as possible the local company will begin the manufacture of lath after his patent in its new factory in the old Bodley wagon factory.

PREPARATIONS for Thanksgiving day are being made on the South Side. Mrs. Alwer and Mrs. Tappe, of the Eighth ward, have complained to the police that their poultry yards have been depleted to the extent of two geese and three ducks.

In the circuit court yesterday in the case of the Franklin Insurance Company vs. Alex R. Campbell, the demurrer of the defendant was overruled. The case of James Hyatt's administrator vs. the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis railway, to recover \$5,000 for the killing of Hyatt, was put on trial to a jury and was still pending when the court adjourned.

CHIEF OF POLICE DELBRUGGE yesterday received from York, Pa., a letter from a man to whom he sent a photograph of the swindler McGinnis, saying that the man was certainly Colonel Porter, of that place, that his brother's widow had seen the picture and said there could be no doubt about it, and that Porter was there about a year ago, but did not seem to have much money.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

H. H. Mercer, of Fairmont, took supper at the Behler yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Watt has returned from a lengthy visit to Terre Haute.

J. W. Matzenburg, editor of the Hancock Courier, of New Cumberland, is in town.

Mr. William Bey moved his family to Wheeling on the Liberty to-day.—Clarington Independent.

G. A. Smith, of Clarksburg, and J. P. Stotterbeck, of Parkersburg, registered at the Behler yesterday.

Hon. J. H. Burtt, of Wheeling, is spoken of as Gompers's successor in the labor federation, says the Steubenville Herald. Ham would make a good one.

Mr. L. Shearer and bride, of Baltimore, are at the Stamm House, on their wedding trip. The bride is a cousin of Ferdinand Kneubuhl, head waiter at the Stamm House.

Miss Josephine Flading leaves this evening for Empire, Ohio, where she will act as a bridesmaid at the wedding of her cousin, Miss Cora Coyle, on Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Pollock entertained the Monday Night Enclave Club last evening. Refreshments were served at eleven, after which the prizes were distributed and the guests departed for their homes.

The Tyler county Star says: C. F. Kotzebue was up at Wheeling this week. It is rumored that Charley won a few hundred on the election from some of his Democratic friends up there and that he went up this week to collect and celebrate.

Captain Jim Dean, an old Wheeling man and a soldier who served his country with distinction, who has been visiting his aged mother and his brother, Mr. Sam Dean, at Martin's Ferry, for some time, was in the city yesterday, calling on his old friends. He leaves to-day for Washington City.

WHEN, from any cause, the digestive and secretory organs become disordered, they may be stimulated to healthy action by the use of Ayer's Cathartic Pills. These pills are prescribed by the physicians, and are for sale at all the drug stores.

G. J. WEISTER, of Harrisville, will sell a lot of fine horses at auction on December 15.

The Wheeling Building Association is still open for new members. Meets Saturday evenings at office of Franklin Insurance Company, No. 34 Twelfth street.

BEECHAM'S PILLS cures sick-headache.

WAS SOMETHING IN IT.

"His Nibs, the Baron's" Great Advortising Scheme

DEVELOPS UNSUSPECTED TALENT.

The Topical Verses sent in for the Five Dollar Prize Offered for Local Lines are Mostly Happy Hits—Some Specimen Verses—About the Play.

The offer of a \$5 gold piece as a prize for the best local verses sent in to be added to a topical song to be sung in "His Nibs, the Baron," at the Opera House last night and to-night, proved one of the best schemes ever devised to attract attention to and arouse interest in a dramatic attraction. There were about thirty verses sent in; or rather there were about thirty contributions sent in, and these ranged from one stanza to a dozen each. One man sent in an entire new song, without regard to the verses given as a specimen of the metre and motive of the song. Of course such a contribution does not count in the competition. Of the verses which complied with the conditions some were very bad, a few were indifferent, but the most were happy hits and gotten up in good style. Mr. Winnett, the manager of the company, said yesterday that they had not received as uniformly good a lot of verses in such large number anywhere before.

Below will be found a few of the verses submitted, and from these the quality of all may be inferred: Some people may think that I am not right—There's nothing in it, nothing in it—And that our Mayor may not see bright—There's nothing in it, nothing in it—Would you visit this city just call on the Mayor.

He'll show you the elephant, for he has been there—There's nothing in it, nothing in it—This morning you'll think you have been on a tear—There's nothing in it, nothing in it.

I thought I would try that five dollars to win—There's nothing in it, nothing in it—Some man in the troupe will just pocket the tin—There's nothing in it, nothing in it—But I should win it right quickly I'd go, And stand my friends up in a circular row, And buy a large bottle from Hester below, With nothing in it, nothing in it.

To defeat Albert Franzheim would sure be a sin—There's nothing in it, nothing in it.

There's a Thonard and Weber and Winko will stay—There's nothing in it, nothing in it.

You people who have those ball tickets to sell—There's nothing in it, nothing in it—Don't go to Tommy, right quickly I'll tell, And are you try Hanko you'd best go to—well.

Oh, Wheeling is moving right on very sleek—There's something in it, something in it—They have bridged over the river, they now bridge the creek—There's something in it, something in it.

Oh, yes; we are moving right on to renown; But before we can feel very proud of our town—There's a big hill behind us we have to cut down—There's something in it, something in it.

There are people who say of the fever seize, "There's nothing in it, nothing in it." "They have as much typhoid everywhere: "There's nothing in it, nothing in it."

"Though the water is filthy, the whisky's all right! We want new bridges, electric light, And against the water we'll always fight—There's nothing in it, nothing in it."

You think, when predicted there'll be a cold wave—There's nothing in it, nothing in it—You've put in a meter, expenses to save—There's nothing in it, nothing in it.

For you find in the morning the gas is as pure as—And though breakfast is cold, though you freeze and you shunt, The gas company stolidly answers your doubt—There's nothing in it, nothing in it."

They say Mayor Seabright's head is very big; There's nothing in it, nothing in it—And your Congressman's head been seen to scratch his wig.

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was large in spite of the bad weather, and nobody who braved the storm was sorry that he did. It has been a long time since as funny and as pleasing a farce-comedy has been seen here. Since will not permit mention here of all the good things, for they are abundant in all of the three acts.

AN ENJOYABLE MUSICAL.

The Pupils of St. Joseph's Academy Entertain Their Friends Pleasantly.

One of the pleasant occurrences of last evening was the musical and literary entertainment given at St. Joseph's academy. Apparently the musicale was a prelude to the bazaar held at Busby's hall, for the assembly was honored by the presence of the right reverend bishop, who entered the music hall at 7 o'clock, accompanied by Rev. Father Joseph Stenger, of Charleston, and the clergy of the cathedral.

For many years the academy has held a foremost rank among Wheeling's educational institutions, and the rendition of yesterday evening's programme was such that all who have an interest in the school may reasonably feel proud of the advancement made by the pupils during the first quarter of the school-year. As regards music the Stutgard method is taught, and the proficiency required of a scholar before she is permitted to perform publicly gives a special attractiveness to a quarterly or semi-annual soiree.

An instrumental duet by Misses Tenie Schafer and Della McFadden was the opening of the programme. The low, yet distinct, voice of Miss Mary Reilly was particularly pleasing in the reading of the selection, "Lines to St. Cecilia." An instrumental solo, "Rustling Leaves," by Miss Margaret Jepson, was excellently executed, and the youthful performer deserves great praise for having mastered so difficult a composition. To Miss Katie Cameron those present were indebted for the enjoyable piano solo, "Valse de Concert," while the pleasure afforded by bright execution was enhanced by the young lady's bright face and animated manner.

"Thinking," a vocal solo by Miss Margaret O'Kane, was highly appreciated. Her voice, a mezzo soprano, is sweet and full, and when through singing the lovely ballad, the audience were thinking that Miss Margaret bids fair to become a favorite. C. Bohm's vocal solo, "My All," by Lottie Nelson, pleased everyone. Her clear soprano was impressive of deep feeling, and she will in time attain a high degree of culture. "Autumn," a composition by Miss Della McFadden, is worthy of notice. Miss Katie Gaither's vocal solo was a fine feature of the evening's rehearsal. The author's idea of the "Lost Chord" was clearly conveyed to the listeners, as the rich contralto of Miss Gaither filled the hall with melody.

In the musical world the name of Sullivan, the composer, has become immortalized by his successful ingenuity in producing the most harmonious chords in what to an uneducated ear sounds discordant. Schulhof's "Valse Brillante" (op. 6), a piano solo by Miss Tenie Schafer, was a splendid achievement, and the young lady may justly acknowledge the praise merited by her talent and industry. Often have the songs composed by Rev. J. B. Bauer been heard and enjoyed at the academy, but it is mostly in the sacred music that the lofty conception of the gifted cleric is clearly defined and beautifully expressed. His trio, sung by Misses Susie Reister, Lottie Waterhouse and Katie Gaither, was a rare treat, and as the notes of the hymn rose and fell in perfect harmony, all hearts responded to the inspiration which had given such beauty and pathos to the salutation, "Ave Maria."

This gem was the finale of the entertainment, and the entire performance gave unmistakable evidence that no labor is spared to cultivate the pupils in the refined studies of an academic education. The success which attended the young ladies' efforts will give a new impetus to the high-souled emulation and laudable ambition always so necessary a constituent in the character of a student, and which has ever been the prevailing spirit among the pupils of St. Joseph's academy. The Rt. Rev. Bishop congratulated the young ladies and invited all present to attend the bazaar.

"AREN'T you ever going to grow old, like the rest of us?" asked a man of an acquaintance he hadn't seen for some time. "Well, not so long as I can purify my blood with Ayer's Sarsaparilla," was the apt reply. This man knew what he was talking about.

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Masquerade Soiree.

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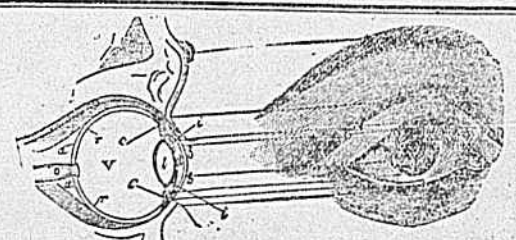
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